LAND RECYCLING LOAN PROGRAM

Authorization: ss. 281.59 and 281.60, Wis. Stats.

<u>Budget:</u> \$20 million set aside in 1998 from the WI Clean Water Fund Program

Objective: To remedy environmental contamination of sites or facilities at which environmental contamination has affected or threatened groundwater or surface water.

<u>Eligibility:</u> Political subdivision (city, village, town, or county), redevelopment authority, or housing authority.

Level of Assistance: Zero % loans for Phase 1 & 2 site assessments, site investigations, and remediation.

Priorities: The project must have the ability to reduce environmental pollution and threats to human health. For non-landfill projects, consideration is made for projects that will prevent the development of undeveloped land.

<u>Eligible Types of Projects</u>: Eligible applicants must own a site or facility that has impacted public or private water supply wells above maximum contaminant levels, contaminated groundwater above preventive action limits or enforcement standards of public health groundwater quality standards, and contaminated soil or sediment.

<u>Applications:</u> A political subdivision must send the DNR a *Notice of Intent to Apply for Financial Assistance* by December 31 of the year preceding its application. Funds are allocated based on a priority score. Projects are funded when DNR staff has approved a Remedial Actions Options Report and the remediation is ready to begin. The Department will publish two application deadlines dates each year.

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